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Prof. R. M. Falconer,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Dominion of Canada

My dear Sir:—

I trust you will pardon the liberty I am taking in addressing you, to ask whether or not there may be at present an opening in your department of Oriental Languages.

In this connection permit me to say that I am a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania (B.S. 1903; Ph.D. 1906) having held the Harrison Fellowship in Indo-European Philology during three consecutive years. (1903-06) and the Shattuck Scholarship in Indic Philology at Harvard University (1906-07) My course for the degree of Ph.D. was Sanscrit and as minors the Semitic

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languages, (Arabic, Ethiopic, Assyrian). In 1907 I was appointed to the U. S. Consular Service, serving as Deputy Consul General at Paris and a few months at Budapest from which post I resigned (1909). I lectured two years in Sanskrit at Bryn Mawr College, Pa., (1910-12) and since that time have travelled through France and Italy, studying at the European universities.

I may refer you as to my qualifications to Profs. Morton W. Easton and Franklin Edgerton (Univ. of Penna.), Prof. Maurice Bloomfield (Johns Hopkins Univ.), for Sanskrit to Prof. Albert T. Clay (Univ. of Yale University) and to my articles published in the American Journal of Philology, the Studi Italiani di Filologia Indo-Iranica and my thesis "The Sanskrya Kaṇḍa" (privately printed, Philadelphia 1913)

Let me add that I am an American

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born in Philadelphia, Pa. of Scotch ancestry, married, my wife being half-French, half-Italian.

I may further refer you to the Fisk Teachers' Agency of New York City.

Thanking you for an early reply and trusting there may be some opportunity with you I am

Believe me

Yours truly

Elwood Austin Welden

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February 4th, 1915

Mr. E. A. Welden,

Room 200,

New York Public Library,

476 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Dear Sir:

In the absence of President Falconer I beg to acknowledge the receiptof your letter of the 2nd inst. At present we have no vacancy in our Department of Oriental Languages, as temporary arrangements have been made since the withdrawal of Professor Benzinger. Your letter will be placed on file for future use.

Yours very truly,

President's Secretary.

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February 6th, 1915

Mr. E. A. Welden,

200 New York Public Library,

476 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Dear Sir:

There is no vacancy in our Department of Sanskrit and Comparative Philology, nor do I think there is likely to be. We have a vacancy in Semitics, but I do not know when we shall fill the post; perhaps not for the coming year.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

Room 200,

New York Public Library
476 Fifth Ave.
New York

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February 11, 1915

Professor R.A. Falconer,
President of the University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 6th instant, relative to a vacancy in the Department of Semitics.

In this connection, I would present to your consideration the fact that I pursued courses in Arabic, Hebrew and Assyrian, with Professor A.T.Clay, at the University of Pennsylvania, during the years 1902-1906, and have since then continued my work along oriental lines privately here and in Europe. I can refer you to Prof. Clay, now of Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

Would say further that I received the degree of Ph.D. at Pennsylvania, (1906), for work in Indo)European Philology and Semitics, as mentioned in my recent letter.

For further information, could also refer you to the Fisk Teachers' Agency, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

In the event of an appointment being made, I trust you would take my testimonials into consideration, and thanking you for any courtesy, I am, believe me,

Respectfully Yours.

Edward Austin Wadey

February 13th, 1915

Dr. E. A. Nelsen,

New York City.

Dear Sir:

I receives your letter ans will retain it in case anything shouls occur that would call for the consideration of your application.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.